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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)
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Geoffrey S. Martin et al.)
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Serial No.: 09/139,705) Group Art Unit
) 3762
Filing Date: August 25, 1998)
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For: MULTIPLE LUMEN CATHETER)
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Examiner: Ronald K. Stright, Jr.)
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Issue Batch No.: O19)

TRANSMITTAL FOR AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE

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United States Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment After Allowance for entry in the above-captioned application.

- ___ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ___ To secure the approval of the Examiner for proposed amendments to the drawings, enclosed are the following:
 - ___ Letter to the Official Draftsperson;
 - ___ Set of _____ () sheets of informal drawings containing Figures _____ including the proposed amendments therein; and

___ A duplicate set of the _____ () sheets of informal drawings with the changes therein highlighted in red.

___ To render the transmitted Amendment "___" timely filed enclosed are the following:

___ Petition for a _____-Month Extension of Time for a period of _____ () months; and

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CLAIM INVENTORY			SMALL ENTITY		OR	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
Claims Remaining After	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee		Rate	Additional Fee
Total 18	Minus 20	0	\$ 9.00	\$		\$18.00	\$ 0.00
Indep. 2	Minus 3	0	\$39.00	\$		\$78.00	\$ 0.00
First Multiple Dependent Claim			\$130.00			\$260.00	\$ 0.00
Additional Fee			TOTAL	\$		TOTAL	\$ 0.00

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X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1469. Duplicate copies of this sheet are attached.

X Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.

X Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

DATED this 30th day of August, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,



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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a), and in light of the Notice of Allowability, mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on June 19, 2000, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel Claim 36.

REMARKS

This document is being submitted on the express direction of Examiner Stright received in a telephone conference therewith initiated by the undersigned on August 29, 2000.

Claim 14 as originally filed in the Preliminary Amendment dated August 25, 1998, included recitations that were by inadvertence inconsistent with page 16, line 18, of the specification as originally filed. This inconsistency has gone unnoticed throughout the entirety of prosecution. In the Amendment "A" dated October 20, 1999, Claim 14 as originally filed was renumbered as Claim 36. In the Notice of Allowability, Claim 36 was allowed among the other claims pending in the above-captioned application.

Accordingly, it is proposed to cancel allowed Claim 36 prior to the issuance of a patent from the above-captioned application.

The cancellation of Claim 36 may corresponding require the renumbering of other allowed claims and the alteration of dependencies as appropriate thereto. The undersigned apologizes for any inconvenience occasioned in this regard.

Nonetheless, the proposed cancellation of allowed Claim 36 does not enter new matter or raise new issues, and the cancellation of allowed Claim 36 is accordingly respectfully requested.

In the event that the Examiner finds any remaining impediment to a prompt issuance of a patent from the above-captioned application, and if the impediment might be overcome by discussion, the Examiner is respectfully requested to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned at either of the telephone numbers presented below.

DATED this 30th day of August, 2000.

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